

## Amendments proposed to the New Rules

*Amendments proposed by: Mr. L.D.B.Gunasekara*

*Membership No: G0510A*

*Proposed Date: 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2023*

### RULE 3.

SSC Colours are Chocolate, Silver(not white), and Light Blue. Suggest remove the word white and include the word Silver

### RULE 28.1

Suggest add following.

Any Member of Any Category once Expelled from the Club will not be eligible in anyway to re join the club.

*Amendments proposed by: Mr. R. J. De Silva*

*Membership No: D796L*

*Proposed Date: 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2023*

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee appointed A SPECIAL COMMITTEE comprising of Kapila Waidyaratne PC, Kushan De Alwis PC and Y S De Zoysa on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to amend specific Rules regarding Trustees and Vice Presidents and subsequently appointed A RULES REFORM COMMITTEE on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 comprising of R J De Silva ( Chairman ) , Kapila Waidyaratne PC, Kushan De Alwis PC, Arjuna Ranatunga, P L D Kariyawasam, Y S De Soyza, Ameen Bhaila to amend the Rules of the Club;

WHEREAS, certain significant amendments proposed by both committees on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020 and on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021 respectively, have not been included by the Executive Committee in their proposals titled New Club Rules ;

Therefore, I submit the following amendments under RULE 30 OF THE SINHALESE SPORTS CLUB:

#### PRESIDENT

1. AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 12 ( ii ) ( c ) as follows:

“Subject to Rule 12 ( ii ) ( d ) , the President of the club once elected at a General or Special General Meeting shall hold office for a continuous period of 3 years unless otherwise he resigns or dies in office or is otherwise incapacitated. The President is eligible for reelection for another term of 3 years.

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 12 ( ii ) ( e ) as follows:

“The President is not eligible for reelection after his 2<sup>nd</sup> term in office.”

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2. AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 13 ( I ) as follows:

“ The Executive Committee of the Club shall consist of twenty two ( 22 ) members of which, five ( 5 ) shall be Ex Officio members , Five ( 5 ) shall represent House Committees, Two ( 2 ) members, whom the President in consultation with the Executive Committee may deem fit to appoint from the general membership to the Executive Committee”.

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 13 ( vii ) as follows:

“ The Executive committee ( 10 ) and the Office bearers ( 5 ) and the Chairmen of House Committees ( not exceeding 5 ) and the two ( 2 ) appointed members by the Executive Committee at its sole discretion , may hold office until the next Annual General Meeting but are eligible for reelection, subject to Rule 13 ( xii ).”

INSERT NEW RULE 13 ( xii ) as follows:

“No member shall serve as a member of the Executive Committee ( other than the Ex Officio members referred to in Rule 13 ( ii ) ), for a period in excess of Five ( 5 ) continuous Years at any given time, provided however a member shall be entitled to be elected as a member of the

Executive Committee after the expiration of a period of 3 years from his ineligibility by the operation of this Rule”.

INSERT NEW RULE 13 ( xiii ) as follows”:

“ Subject to Rule 13 ( xiv ) and with the exception of the President, the other Ex Officio members referred to in Rule 13 ( ii ) shall be eligible to be elected and serve for a maximum of Five ( 5 ) years ( continuous or otherwise ), as an office bearer. “

INSER NEW RULE 13 ( xiv ) as follows:

“ any member elected and serving as the Honorary Assistant Secretary or Honorary Assistant Treasurer shall be eligible to be elected as the Honorary Secretary or the Honorary Treasurer respectively, provided however such member shall not be eligible to serve as the Assistant Secretary and Secretary or Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer for a cumulative period of in excess of seven ( 7 ) years and in any event shall not serve in any one capacity for more than five ( 5 ) years.“

## TRUSTEES

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 16 ( 1 ) as follows:

“There shall be a Board of Five ( 5 ) Trustees appointed by a Resolution at an Annual General Meeting or Special General meeting of the Club and shall hold office for a continuous period of office of ten ( 10 ) years unless he resigns or expires whilst in office or is otherwise incapacitated or removed from office during the pendency of the said term by a two third of the members present at an Annual General Meeting or Special General meeting.

INSERT NEW RULE 16 ( 1 ) ( a ) as follows:

“ A trustee of the Club shall be an Ordinary or outstation or Life Member or Senior member having a continuous period of not less than 25 years of membership of the Club.”

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 16 ( vi ) as follows:

“The Honorary Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Trustees at least once in three months or earlier if requested by a Trustee. The Trustees may invite any Office Bearer for such meeting as considered necessary.”

INSERT NEW RULE 16 ( vii )

“Except the President, no member shall be eligible to be Trustee if such member is an Office bearer or a member of the Executive Committee.

INSERT NEW RULE 16 ( viii )

“The ten ( 10 ) year term of office of the present Trustees commences from the date of the above proposed amendment coming into operation.”

### VICE PRESIDENTS

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 12 ( iii ) ( a ) as follows:

“ Vice Presidents who in number shall not exceed Fifteen ( 15 ) at any given time , shall be ordinary, Outstation or Life Members or Senior Members of the Club for a continuous period of not less than twenty ( 20 ) years of membership and who have rendered meritorious service to the Club or brought fame to the Club.”

AMEND AND SUBSTITUTE RULE 12 ( iii ) ( c ) as follows:

“A Vice President once elected shall hold office for a continuous period of Five ( 5 ) years unless he resigns or expires whilst in office or is otherwise incapacitated or is removed from office during the pendency of the term by a vote of two thirds of the members present at an Annual or Special General meeting of the Club.”

INSERT NEW RULE 12 ( iii ) ( d ) as follows:

“A Vice President shall not be entitled to simultaneously hold any other office in the Club “.

INSER NEW RULE 12 ( iii ) ( e ) as follows:

“The term of the office of the Vice Presidents presently holding office shall cease upon the expiration of one year after this amendment comes into effect”.

### CLUB RULES

INSERT NEW RULE 28 ( iii ) as follows:

“ Amendments to Rules passed at a Special General meeting or Annual General Meeting shall come into effect from the date of the next Annual General meeting, subject to specific amendments as to when such amendments may come into effect. “

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee appointed a RULES REFORM COMMITTEE on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 comprising of R J De Silva ( Chairman ), Kapila Waidyaratna PC, Kushan De Alwis PC, Arjuna Ranatuna, P L D Kariyawasam, Ameen Bhaila, Y S De Soyza to amend the Rules of the Club ;

WHEREAS, the amendment proposed by the RULES REFORM COMMITTEE submitted on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to correct the spelling of the name of the Club was not included by the Executive Committee in their proposals titled New Club Rules;

Therefore, I submit the following amendment to correct the spelling of the name of the Club, under Rule 30 of the Sinhalese Sports Club:

TITLE

“The Club shall be called the Sinhalese Sports Club and hereinafter where appropriate, will be referred to as “the Club”.

***Amendments proposed by: Mr. Jayantha Kudahetty***

***Membership No: K0135A***

***Proposed Date: 26<sup>th</sup> of August 2023***

2. OBJECTS - I recommend the new/amended clauses below which are more appropriate to describe the 'Objects' of the Club.

2.1- To be the Premier Sports Club of the country, offering the best Sports, Recreational and Entertainment facilities to the valued membership and their families.

2.2- To encourage, facilitate and promote the game of Cricket as the primary sport of the Club by providing the best for cricketers, spectators, sponsors, media etc for the conduct of domestic and International matches, Schools big matches and also to be recognized as the best International Cricket venue.

2.3 - To provide best Indoor/Outdoor facilities for all Sports and Fitness activities offered by the Club, provide coaches, conduct regular internal and external competitive tournaments etc for the benefit of members and thereby provide them every opportunity to represent the Club and Country.

2.4- To ensure the members and their families/guests maintain the highest standards of discipline and conduct within the premises to retain and safeguard the image and reputation of the Club.

2.5- To develop and maintain strong relations with relevant Govt. Ministries, Sports Associations, Clubs, Sponsors, Banks ,Media etc to secure their co-operation and support when required for the benefit of the Club.

2.6 - To elect members of credibility as Office bearers and Executive Committee, who will live up to the expectations of the membership by displaying the highest standards of discipline, honesty, integrity and take responsibility/accountability in discharging their duties in the Administration of Club Affairs/Staff, Management of Funds, procuring goods and services, conduct of Development projects, Social Activities etc. and maintain the rich traditions and values of the Club.

2.7- To ensure those elected/appointed and employed as representatives of the Club abide by the rules & regulations of the Club and laws of the land/country. The Club would not be liable for the violations of same by any individual who would have to face the consequences of such action and at his own expense.

NEW CLAUSES; Recommend including the following:-

1) All members must sign in their guest in the Register at the Entrance and be present until they leave the Club. The member would be liable to settle any damage caused to the Club property, equipment or grounds by the misbehavior of his/her Guest.

2) No liquor or Food could be brought into the Club from outside other than those food items permitted and on payment of the applicable corkage fee for liquor.

3) The Club Car parks are for the exclusive use of members on the production of current membership and Internal parking pass to the security at the gates. However their use by the members could be restricted when Club is hired for major events on dates/times that would be notified in advance. The Club would not be responsible or liable for any damage caused to vehicles within the car parks.

4) Members are permitted to walk on the grounds alongside the outer perimeter wall at times permitted on non match and rainy days. No member is permitted to get onto the centre pitch area of the grounds on any day or time.

5) Any complaint against the behavior, misconduct or misappropriation by members against any staff member should be made in writing to the Hony Secretary within 7 days of the incident. The member should be present when an inquiry is held with any witnesses. The complaint would be disregarded if the member is not present at such inquiry.

***Amendments proposed by: Mr. Ranel T. Wijesinha***

***Membership No: W1654***

***Proposed Date: 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2023***

Resolved that, section 32.3 titled Internal Audit Committee, and the contents therein as proposed by the Executive Committee and worded as

"The Executive Committee shall appoint an Internal Audit Committee comprising suitably qualified members of the Club who are not members of the Executive Committee. The Committee Chair shall be appointed by the Executive Committee"

shall be replaced to read Audit Committee and the following clauses inserted in lieu thereof:-

**32.3.1 Audit Committee-**

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Chairman and Members of an independent audit committee comprising of those independent of key functional areas of the club and independent of executive committee positions which have any oversight, monitoring, review and reporting responsibility over key operational or functional areas of the club.

**32.3.2 Independence-**

The Independent Audit Committee shall comprise of no less than 3 persons and shall at all times comprise a number which is an odd number, such as 3, 5 or 7.

**32.3.3 Audit Committee Charter-**

In furtherance of sections 32.3.1 and 32.3.2, the Executive Committee shall design, develop and have approved at an Executive Committee Meeting an Audit Committee Charter. Such Charter will contain the Terms of Reference of the Independent Audit Committee, referred to in section 32.3.1 and inter alia, shall provide for, the composition, qualifications and experience of Audit Committee members, their independence, criteria to ensure absence of conflicts of interest, the scope and coverage of work, the responsibilities of the Audit Committee, frequency of meetings and medium of reporting to the Executive Committee and shall provide for such other matters that might be desirable, in furtherance of ensuring, good governance.

**32.3.4 Chief Internal Auditor**

The Executive Committee shall with guidance from and recommendations of the Audit Committee, appoint a professionally qualified Chief Internal Auditor, who shall report to the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

#### 32.3.5 Accounting, Record Keeping, & Reporting

The Executive Committee shall evaluate the adequacy of coverage, accuracy, completeness and timeliness, and the appropriateness of the day to day as well regular, composition of technical and supervisory resources of the outsourced Accounting, Record Keeping, & Reporting function and consider the following for purposes of risk management and the incremental and progressive establishment of a robust in-house Accounting & Finance Department, sustainable into the future.

#### 32.3.6 Chief Accountant and support staff

The Executive Committee shall with guidance from the Audit Committee appoint a permanent Chief Accountant and establish an appropriate, technically resourced in-house Accounting & Finance Department, supported by adequate software and hardware and such other systems, procedures and controls as deemed necessary. The Chief Accountant shall report in the first instance to the General Manager, and will report to the Executive Committee through the Treasurer.

***Amendments proposed by: Mr. N Priyal Perera***

***Membership No: P 1454A***

***Proposed Date: 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2023***

#### 5.3 Senior Members

Any ordinary/outstation member "reaching the age of 60 years" (original proposal to make reaching the "age of 65 years") who had been in continues membership for a period of "25 years" (proposed as 35 years is too longer period to consider) usually the Senior Citizen are commonly considered reaching the age of 60 yrs.